

# **\*UPDATE- Driver Charged with Vehicular Assault- Troopers Investigating Serious Crash Concord Pike – Wilmington**

**Wilmington** – The Delaware State Police have charged 54 year old Sonja L. Todd of Wilmington with Vehicular Assault after it was determined that she was driving under the influence of drugs when she ran a red light and struck another vehicle on Rt. 202 in front of the Concord Mall on Tuesday afternoon.

The incident occurred at approximately 1:06 p.m., Tuesday, July 9, 2019 on Rt. 202 (Concord Pike) at the intersection with the south exit of the Concord Mall. A 2005 GMC stake body truck, operated by Todd, was northbound on Rt. 202 in the left lane and failed to stop at the red light at the intersection of the Concord Mall exit. A 2002 Chevrolet Cavalier, operated by a 17 year female from Philadelphia, was exiting the mall with a green light, attempting to proceed southbound on Rt. 202 when it was struck on its driver's side by the GMC.

The 17 year old driver of the Chevy was transported to the A.I. DuPont Hospital for children with serious injuries. Neither impairment nor improper driving are being deemed as factors on her behalf. An 18 year old female passenger in the Chevy was transported to the Christiana Hospital also with serious injuries. A 13 year old passenger was not injured.

Todd, who was not injured, was found to be under the influence of drugs at the time of the crash and was charged with 2 counts of Vehicular Assault 1st Degree, Driving Under the Influence of Drugs and Failure to Stop at a Red Light. She was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #2 and released after posting a \$6,600.00 secured bond.

Traffic on Rt. 202 northbound was restricted to one lane for approximately 90 minutes while the scene was investigated and cleared.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at [debra.reed@state.de.us](mailto:debra.reed@state.de.us).

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